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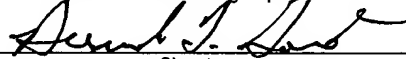
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- (1) Japanese Unexamined Patent Application No. (A) 10-055023 (RICOH CO LTD), published February 24, 1998;
- (2) Japanese Unexamined Patent Application No. (A) 10-098640 (RICOH CO LTD), published April 14, 1998;
- (3) Japanese Unexamined Patent Application No. (A) 10-108046 (RICOH CO LTD), published April 24, 1998; and
- (4) Japanese Unexamined Patent Application No. (A) 11-183978 (NIKON CORP), published July 9, 1999.

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